IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Matsuo YOMOGIDA et al.

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Group Art Unit: 2876

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RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED September 22, 2003

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated September 22, 2003.

In the Action, restriction is required between Group (I), Claims 1-22 and 35-58; and Group (II), Claims 23-34.

Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group (I), Claims 1-22 and 35-58 for prosecution in this application. This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the applicants' rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 USC 120 and 35 USC 121 are retained.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

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In the event any additional fees are required in connection with this response, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

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